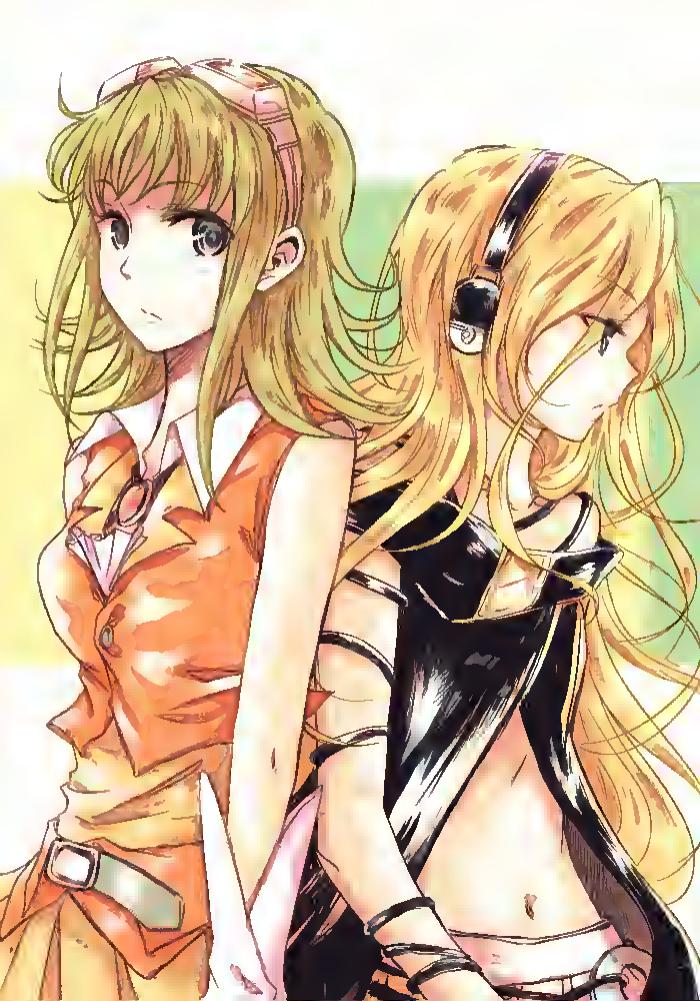
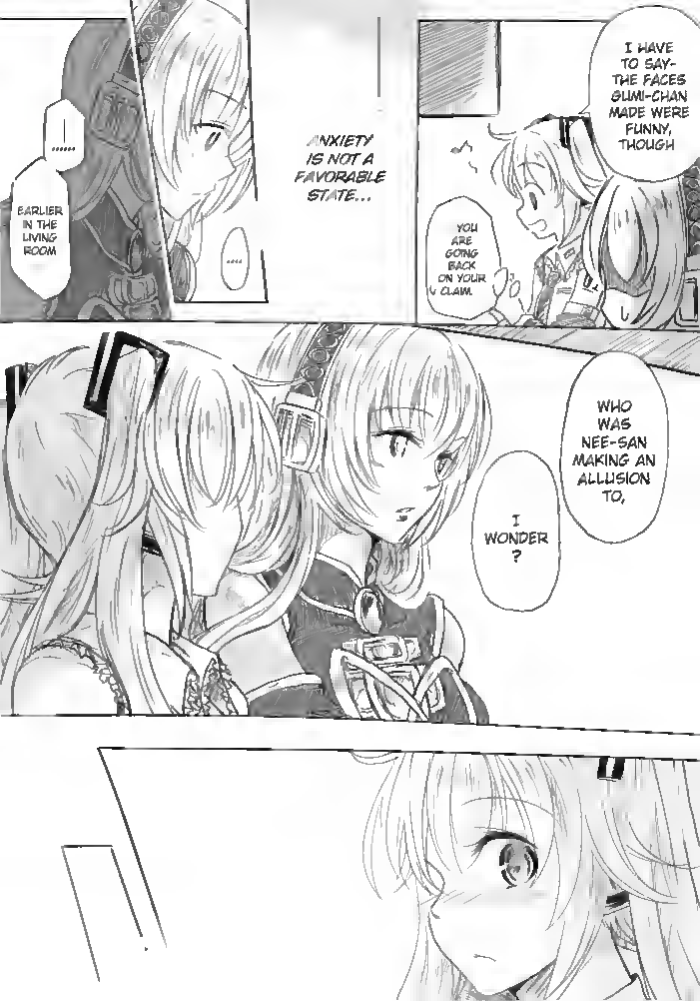
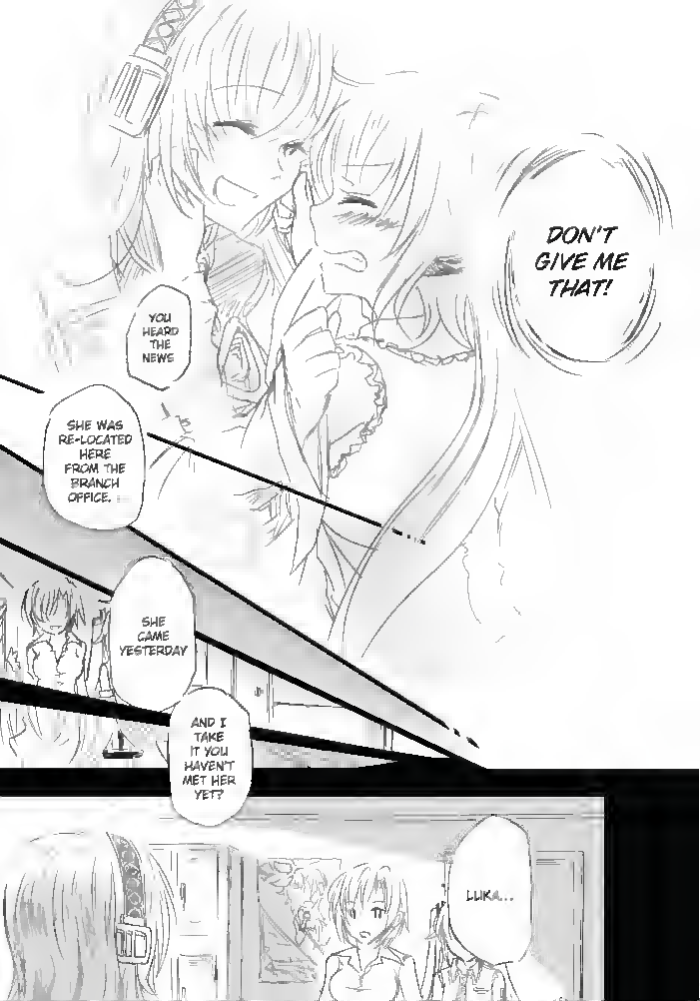
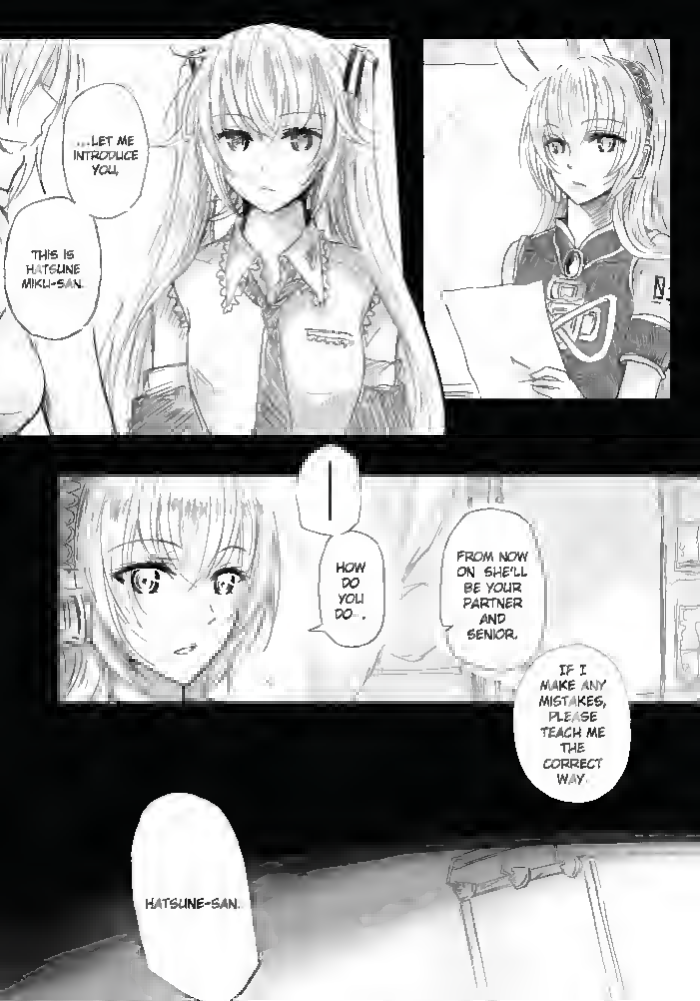



I HAVE TO SAY- THE FACES GUMI-CHAN MADE WERE FUNNY, THOUGH
YOU ARE GOING BACK ON YOUR V CLAIM.
ANXIETY IS NOT A FAVORABLE STATE...
EARLIER IN THE LIVING ROOM
.....
WHO WAS NEE-SAN MAKING AN ALLUSION TO,
I WONDER ?

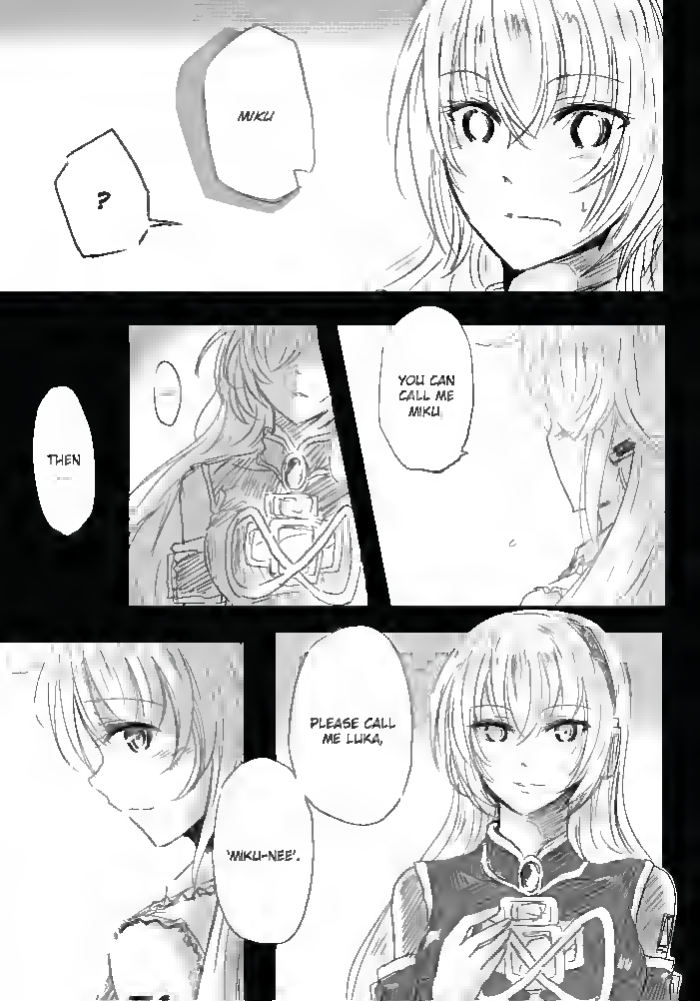

DON'T GIVE ME THAT!
YOU HEARD THE NEWS
SHE WAS RE-LOCATED HERE FROM THE BRANCH OFFICE.
SHE CAME YESTERDAY
AND I TAKE IT YOU HAVEN'T MET HER YET?
LUKA...


...LET ME INTRODUCE YOU.
THIS IS HATSUNE MIKU-SAN.
HOW DO YOU DO.
FROM NOW ON SHE'LL BE YOUR PARTNER AND SENIOR.
IF I MAKE ANY MISTAKES, PLEASE TEACH ME THE CORRECT WAY.
HATSUNE-SAN.

I'M SORRY TO BOTHER YOU, BUT... ARE YOU GOING TO THE PRACTICE ROOM?

OH!
F- FORGIVE ME...
YOU ARE IN A HURRY...

I
GULP

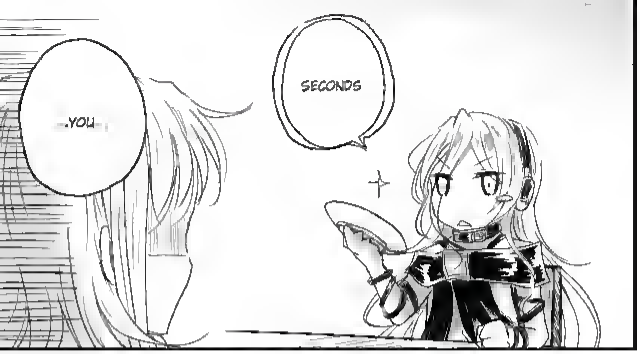

MIKU
?
YOU CAN CALL ME MIKU.
THEN
PLEASE CALL ME LUKA.
'MIKU-NEE'.

I'M THANKFUL FOR YOUR OFFER.
WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN ME?
SATISFIED
HEH HEH
IT'S NOT SO HARD IF I PUT MY MIND INTO IT.
DONE!
BAM~!

WHEN SHE COMES HOME EXHAUSTED TO BE GREETED BY KUMI-SAN'S DELICIOUS COOKING SHE'LL BE VERY HAPPY
MIKU-CHAN EATS UNTIL SHE'S ABOUT TO BURST EVERYDAY.
LILY WILL...
HAPPY...?
DO YOUR BEST, ME!
SLAP!
I WANT TO FILL THE GAP BETWEEN US
AN INCH IS FINE,

LILY PLEASE SAY SOMETHING!
MUNCH
MUNCH
MUNCH
STILL NOT LOOKING. SHE HATES ME AFTER ALL?
HOW'S THE FOOD?
THUMP THUMP
.....
GUMI-NEE.
Y-YES !!?
FLINCH-!
AH...SHE LOOKED THIS WAY.
THUMP THUMP

TODAY'S DINNER IS NASTY.
SHOCK
BAM!
I'VE LOST, HAVEN'T I!?
SO I'LL EAT A BIT MORE.
AH AH
BECAUSE YOU OVERDID IT, THERE WILL BE A LOT OF LEFTOVERS...



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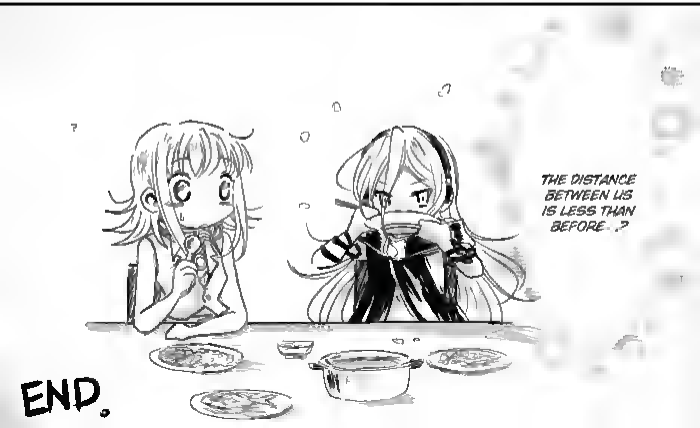
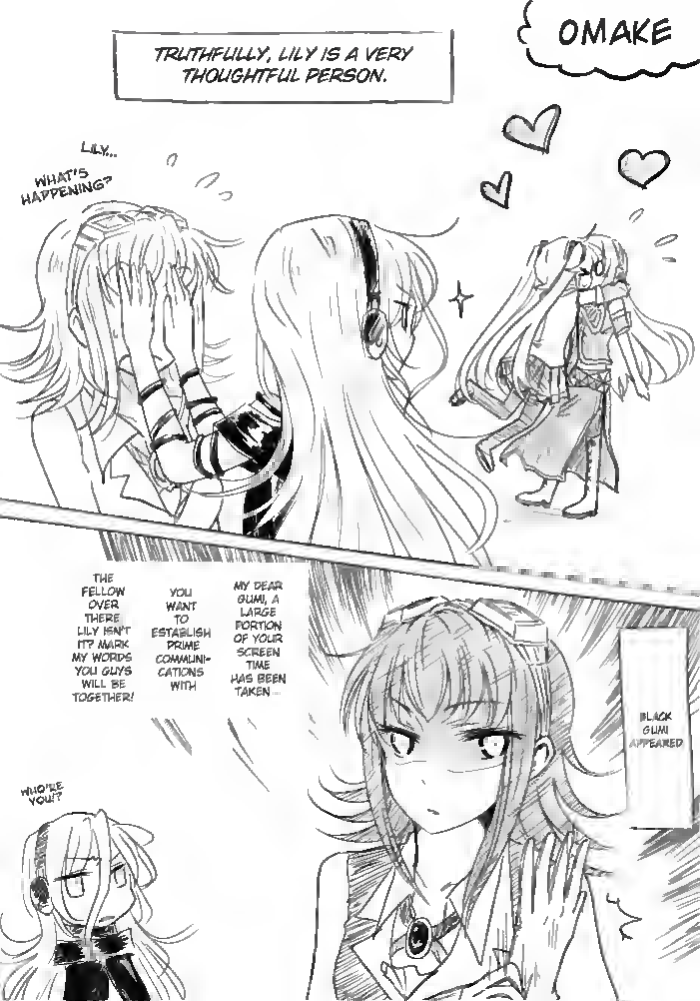


HOW TO GET ALONG WELL WITH YOUR JUNIOR?
YEAH
I WANT TO HEAR WHAT YOU THINK...
YOU AREN'T ON GOOD TERMS WITH LILY-CHAN?
THAT'S NOT IT!
I WAS A JUNIOR ONCE MYSELF
AND NEVER A SENIOR
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO -


OMAKE
TRUTHFULLY, LILY IS A VERY THOUGHTFUL PERSON.
LILY...
WHAT'S HAPPENING?
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THE FELLOW OVER THERE LILY ISN'T IT? MARK MY WORDS YOU GUYS WILL BE TOGETHER!
YOU WANT TO ESTABLISH PRIME COMMUNICATIONS WITH
MY DEAR GUMI, A LARGE PORTION OF YOUR SCREEN TIME HAS BEEN TAKEN...
BLACK GUMI APPEARED
WHO'LL YOU!?

I DREW A LOT OF
MEGITORO SCENES
INSTEAD OF LILY X GUMI
THIS IS BAD
Thank you!

...NOT THAT I REMEMBERED...
...HOW COME?
DIDN'T LUKA-CHAN COME TO US AROUND THE TIME LILY-CHAN JOINED AS WELL?
WHAT TO DO, HUH...?
WAS IT HARD TO TALK WHEN YOU WERE STILL UNFAMILIAR WITH EACH OTHER?
THANK YOU, LIFE! I'M GLAD TO BE ALIVE
UNDENIABLY SO! I WAS SO SMITTEN THAT I FORGOT!
LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT.
NICE TO MEET YOU,
I'M MEGURINE LUKA
PLEASE TAKE CARE OF ME FROM NOW ON
IT'S NATURAL BETWEEN US NOW...
THE OPPOSITE?
....

EXACTLY HOW BAD IS THE SITUA-TION!?
YOU HAVE TO HELP ME!
PLEASE, MIKU-CHAN!
EH?!
LILY...
I'M WALKING ON A MINE FIEL-D..
UM..
BUT YOU TWO SEE EACH OTHER EVERY-DAY.
SHE
MAYBE SHE HATES ME
HERE'S YOUR NEW SONG!
THANKS
ANYTHING CONVENIENT FOR YOU.
WANT ME TO COOK SOMETHING?
DO YOU LOVE ANYTHING LILY?
NOTHING REALLY
LILY-CHAN GOOD MORNIN...
YOU REALLY HAVE IT HARD
SINCE DAY ONE. WHATEVER I SAY WHATEVER I DO WHETHER IT'S MEAL TIME, END OF THE DAY OR PRACTICE PERIOD SHE DOESN'T LOOK AT ME EVEN ONCE!
WAAAAAAA~

YOU'RE WRONG !!
!!
CLATTER CLATTER
SHE DOESN'T HATE YOU! SHE'S ONLY IGNORING YOU!
EH!
....
NEE -SAN,
YOU'RE MAKING IT WORSE ...
PA!
YA!
WAAAAAAA

.....
...I HONESTLY WANT TO KNOW HER BETTER
...NOT SIMPLY AS SEMPAI AND KOUHAI EITHER
GUMI-SAN...
STIR
I THINK
LILY DOES NOT FEEL THAT WAY ABOUT YOU...
THERE IS NO REASON TO...

CORRECT!
ME?
SIP SIP
!
PERHAPS THE PROBLEM HERE LIES WITH YOU, GUMI-CHAN.
SIMPLE EXCHANGES OF GREETING,
ANXIETY IS NOT A FAVORABLE STATE TO BE IN
WHEN YOU WISH TO TALK.
A STRAY GAZE,
A LIGHT TOUCH,

NONE OF THEM IS SEEN AS CASUAL IN THE OTHER PARTY'S MIND
ACTING INDIFFERENT IS BUT A MASK...
TO PROTECT THE HARDSHIP OF THE HEART FROM BEING DISCOVERED
IT'S NOT IMPOSSIBLE, RIGHT?

IT'S NOT HATRED YOU ARE RECEIVING..
THAT'S WHY
GUMI-CHAN
.....
...ARE YOU REALLY MIKU-CHAN?
!!
TH-THAT WAS MY SPECULA-TION...
STILL, YOU DIDN'T DO ANYTHING TO MAKE HER HATE YOU, GUMI-CHAN, SO—
...CHIN UP!

Y-YEAH!
(HUH?)
GET BACK AT LILY-CHAN AT ALL COSTS!
YOU'LL GET HER OUT OF HER STUPOR ALL RIGHT...
HUH?
O-OH...
O-OKAY...
BE MORE CONFIDENT! IT'LL BE FINE!
GUMI-SAN, YOU'LL GET CRUSHED IF YOU TAKE HER SERIOUSLY.
WH-I WON'T!
PUSH HER DOWN!
PUSH HER DOWN!
FSSSSH
FSSSSH
I HOPE THEIR RELATIONSHIP WILL DEEPEN.
WH-WHAT'D YOU SAY!? I'M NOT MISCHIEVOUS...
EH?
I THOUGHT NEE-SAN WAS TOYING WITH HER...